GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

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BRIDGES OVER RIVERS OF TAMIL NADU
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the status of various bridges over the major rivers of Tamil Nadu at the end of the Ninth Five Year Plan ;

(b) the details of funds, allocations made, actually sanctioned for each of the projects in the State during the last three years; and

(c) the proposed allocation for 2002-2003, project-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (MAJOR GENERAL (RETD KHANDURI)

(a) All the bridges over major rivers on National highways in Tamil Nadu are generally in good condition, except for the following three bridges; which require reconstruction.

Sl. No.	Name of the Bridge	Status at the end of 9th Five Year Plan
1.	Bridge across river Pazhayar at km 641/6 on NH 47 at Suchindram	Alignment, technical proposal and estimate for land acquisition approved by the Ministry. 90% land has been acquired.
2.	Bridge across Ponni river - (Tiruvalam bridge) at km 122/4 of NH 4	Alignment, technical proposal and estimate for land acquisition approved by the Ministry. Land has been acquired.
3.	Bridge across Thamirabarani river at km 604/4 of NH 47	Alignment, technical proposal and estimate for land acquisition approved by the Ministry. Land has been acquired.

(b) & (c) No sanctions/ allocation of fund was made during last three years for the above bridge projects. These projects are included in Annual Plan 2002-03 and following provisions have been made during the year 2002-03.

Sl.No.	Name of the Bridge	Allocation (Rs. in lakh)
1.	Reconstruction of bridge across river Pazhayar at km 641/6 on NH 47 at Suchindram	5.00
2.	Reconstruction of bridge across Ponni river (Tiruvalam bridge) at km122/4 of NH 4	5.00
3.	Reconstruction of bridge across Thamirabarani river (Kuzhithurai bridge) at km 604/4 of NH 47 (proposed to be taken up on Built Operate and Transfer (BOT) basis)	Nil